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Amendment Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.312

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REMARKS

Applicants acknowledge the Notice of Allowability mailed February 26, 2004, and the Examiner's Amendment described therein. However, applicants note that claim 34 was not amended similarly to claims 5 and 6 as discussed during the February 19th teleconference with applicants' representative James E. Ruland. See Interview Summary. Consequently, this paper is being filed to change the dependency of claim 34 from claim 4 to claim 33.

The sole applicable items discussed was amending claims 5, 6 and 34 to correct antecedent basis, and claims 24-26 to correct typographical errors. Applicants respectfully submit that these amendments do not narrow the scope of the claims.

In view of these remarks, entry of this amendment is respectfully requested. If there are any remaining issues which can be expedited by a telephone conference, the Examiner is courteously invited to telephone counsel at the number indicated below.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees associated with this response or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 13-3402.

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